

**REMARKS**

Claims 15 – 25 remain pending in the application. Claims 1 – 14 have been canceled. No new matter has been added by this amendment.

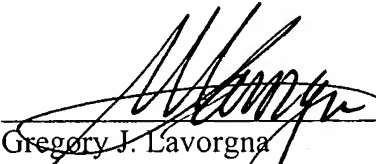
Claims 15 – 25 were allowed in the final office action. Claims 1 – 14 were rejected. That rejection is deemed moot in view of the cancellation of those claims.

The only claims remaining in the application are allowed claims 15 – 25. It is thus believed that the application is now in condition for immediate allowance, and notification to that effect is earnestly solicited.

This response and the cancellation of claims 1 – 14 is without prejudice to applicants' right to file one or more continuation applications to the canceled claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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